

**REMARKS**

This is a preliminary amendment before the first Office Action.

In view of the amendments made herein, claims 1-20 are currently pending. Applicant has amended claims 1-10 and has added new claims 11-20. The specification has been amended in order to make the application conform to idiomatic English and to U.S. practice. Claims 1-10 have been amended to remove informalities in the multiple dependencies and to conform the claim language to standard U.S. patent practice. Applicant also presents new dependent claims 11-20 that correspond to subject matter from the original multiply dependent claims. Support for both the amendments to claims 1-10 and new claims 11-20 are provided in the originally filed claims. Thus, these amendments and new claims do not present an issue of new matter.

Applicant submits claims 1-20 are in condition for examination, early notification of which is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner be of the view that an interview would expedite consideration of this Amendment or of the application at large, request is made that the Examiner telephone the Applicant's attorney at (908) 518-7700 in order that any outstanding issues be resolved.

If there are any fees due and owing in respect to this amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge such fees to deposit account number 50-1047.

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